

EXHIBIT A

JS 44 (Rev. 10/20)

CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE OF THIS FORM.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

Marcelino Vargas

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Bexar County, Texas
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

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DEFENDANTS

CML Security, LLC; Yates/Sundt, A Joint Venture; Memco, Inc.

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Broomfield, Colorado
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

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II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff ☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant ☒ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

- (For Diversity Cases Only)
- | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Citizen of This State | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| Citizen of Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | Foreign Nation | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.

| CONTRACT | TORTS | FORFEITURE/PENALTY | BANKRUPTCY | OTHER STATUTES |
|--|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane | <input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 | <input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 | <input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine | <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability | <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other | <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 | <input type="checkbox"/> 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act | <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument | <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment | <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act | <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) | <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits | <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits | <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit (15 USC 1681 or 1692) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract | <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 485 Telephone Consumer Protection Act |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes |

V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 Original Proceeding ☒ 2 Removed from State Court ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5 Transferred from Another District (specify) ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer ☐ 8 Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File

VI. CAUSE OF ACTIONCite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):
28 U.S.C. Sec. 1446(b)Brief description of cause:
Personal Injury and Premises Liability**VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:**☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND \$

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No**VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY**

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE

01/18/2021

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

RECEIPT # _____ AMOUNT _____ APPLYING IFP _____ JUDGE _____ MAG. JUDGE _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44**Authority For Civil Cover Sheet**

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- I.(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
 - (b) County of Residence.** For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
 - (c) Attorneys.** Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- II. Jurisdiction.** The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.
- United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.
- United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.
- Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.
- Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; **NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.**)
- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.** This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit.** Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If there are multiple nature of suit codes associated with the case, pick the nature of suit code that is most applicable. Click here for: [Nature of Suit Code Descriptions](#).
- V. Origin.** Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.
- Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.
- Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441.
- Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.
- Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.
- Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.
- Multidistrict Litigation – Transfer. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.
- Multidistrict Litigation – Direct File. (8) Check this box when a multidistrict case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket.
- PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT AN ORIGIN CODE 7.** Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statute.
- VI. Cause of Action.** Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.** Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service.
- VII. Requested in Complaint.** Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.
- Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction.
- Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases.** This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
San Antonio DIVISION

Supplement to JS 44 Civil Cover Sheet
Cases Removed from State District Court

This form must be filed with the Clerk's Office no later than the **first business day** following the filing of the Notice of Removal. Additional sheets may be used as necessary.

The attorney of record for the removing party **MUST** sign this form.

STATE COURT INFORMATION:

1. Please identify the court from which the case is being removed; the case number; and the complete style of the case.

Cause No. 2020CI18970; Marcelino Vargas v. CML Security, LLC; Memco, Inc.; Sundt Construction, Inc.; and W.G. Yates & Sons Construction Co.; 438th Judicial District Court; The Honorable Rosie Alvarado; Bexar County Courthouse; 100 Dolorosa St., San Antonio, Texas 78205; Phone: (210) 335-0448; Fax: (210) 335-1531.

2. Was jury demand made in State Court? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, by which party and on what date?

Plaintiff - Marcelino Vargas

September 30, 2020

Party Name

Date

STATE COURT INFORMATION:

1. List all plaintiffs, defendants, and intervenors still remaining in the case. Also, please list the attorney(s) of record for each party named and include the attorney's firm name, correct mailing address, telephone number, and fax number (including area codes).

Please see Additional Comments below (due to size of information).

2. List all parties that have not been served at the time of the removal, and the reason(s) for non-service.

Not applicable, so far as removing defendant is aware.

3. List all parties that have been non-suited, dismissed, or terminated, and the reason(s) for their removal from the case.

On December 15, 2020, all parties jointly stipulated to the dismissal of W.G. Yates & Sons Construction, Inc. and Sundt Construction Service, Inc. on the basis that they were improperly named defendants to the suit.

COUNTERCLAIMS, CROSS-CLAIMS, and/or THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS:

1. List separately each counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party claim still remaining in the case and designate the nature of each such claim. For each counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party claim, include all plaintiffs, defendants, and intervenors still remaining in the case. Also, please list the attorney(s) of record for each party named and include the attorney's firm name, correct mailing address, telephone number, and fax number (including area codes).

On January 8, 2021, Defendants Yates/Sundt, A Joint Venture (Yates/Sundt) asserted a cross-claim against Defendant CML Security, LLC (CMLA) alleging that Yates/Sundt was entitled to indemnity from CML based on a contract between the two parties and/or contribution for any negligence of CML. A complete list of remaining parties, their attorneys, firm names, mailing addresses, telephone numbers, and fax number is included in the Additional Comments below (due to size of information).

VERIFICATION:

/s/Stephanie L. O'Rourke

01/18/2021

Attorney for Removing Party

Date

Yates/Sundt, A Joint Venture
Party/Parties

(NOTE: Additional comment space is available on page 3)

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